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PRESIDENT: OK, alright. Senator.... Well that's all the lights. Senator Kelly.

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. President, it was my understanding, in my conversation with you, that we weren't going to take up the point of order, but we were going to put the question to the House.

PRESIDENT: Do you want that question put then?

SENATOR KELLY: The question is that we take section by section with the Committee amendments and that we vote up or down those Committee amendments....

PRESIDENT: Without amendments?

SENATOR KELLY: Pardon?

PRESIDENT: Without amendments?

SENATOR KELLY: Without amendments, so that we could....

PRESIDENT: I'll put that to the House if you'd like it, Senator Kelly.

SENATOR KELLY: Well let me explain it. We're not getting the overall grasp of this bill. If we go on through the Committee amendments we can do that in maybe 30 minutes and we'll be through the bill. We've almost amended every section in the bill. Basically, the Schmit amendments will nullify those Committee amendments. You'll be able to pretty well follow the gist of the matter as you see what the Committee changed. You'll know that Senator Schmit is going to change it back. At that time there will be an overall grasp of the bill. When we get to voting on these in detail, about collateral source, etc., it will become much more understanding. I plead with the body to accept that procedure.

PRESIDENT: Senator Dworak.

SENATOR DWORAK: I have no objection to putting this to a vote of the House. I will say, though, that I didn't see where Senator Schmit putting his amendment on the Committee amendments was outside the spirit of the motion I made. Senator Kelly keeps talking about going through the bill section by section. The motion specifically referred going through the Committee amendments. Now Senator Kelly wants to change the procedure from the Committee amendments to the bill, if he's saying what he means. Is that right, Senator Kelly? I think we have to go through the Committee amendments first.

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner. Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: I'd just like to suggest, Mr. President, I'm comfortable with the procedure we're now following. Why don't we dispose of Senator Kelly's motion and proceed tomorrow as we have so far? I have no problem with following.